

in the ~~open~~ circulating cooling water system and including a polymer made up of units from no more than two monomers.

24. (New Claim) The controlled release additive composition of claim 23, wherein said coating includes a copolymer made up of units from vinylacetate and an ethylenically unsaturated monomer.

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25. (New Claim) The controlled release additive composition of claim 23, wherein the coating includes a copolymer made up of about 45% to about 95% by weight of the units which are from vinylacetate and about 5% to about 55% by weight of the units which are from an ethylenically unsaturated monomer.

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26. (New Claim) The controlled release additive composition of claim 23, wherein said coating includes a copolymer made up of units from vinylacetate and vinylversatate.

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27. (New Claim) The controlled release additive composition of claim 26, wherein the coating includes a copolymer made up of about 45% to about 95% by weight of the units which are from vinylacetate and about 5% to about 55% by weight of the units which are from vinylversatate.

28. (New Claim) The controlled release additive composition of claim 23, wherein said coating includes a copolymer made up of units from vinylacetate and ethylene.

29. (New Claim) The controlled release additive composition of claim 23, wherein said coating includes a copolymer made up of units from two monomers, the monomers are selected from the group consisting of vinylversatate and ethylene.

30. (New Claim) The controlled release additive composition

of claim 23, wherein the coating includes a copolymer made up of about 45% to about 95% by weight of units from a first monomer and about 5% to about 55% by weight of units from a second monomer.

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31. (New Claim) The controlled release cooling additive composition of claim 23, wherein said coating includes a copolymer made up of units from acrylate and vinylversatate.

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32. (New Claim) The controlled release additive composition of claim 23, wherein said coating includes a homopolymer made up of units from ethylcellulose.

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33. (New Claim) The controlled release additive composition of claim 23, wherein the weight percent of the coating is about 1% to about 40% based on the total weight of the controlled release additive composition.

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34. (New Claim) The controlled release additive composition of claim 23, wherein the weight percent of the coating is about 3% to about 15% based on the total weight of the controlled release additive composition.

35. (New Claim) The controlled release additive composition of claim 23, wherein the weight percent of the coating is about 4% to about 10% based on the total weight of the controlled release additive composition.

36. (New Claim) The controlled release additive composition of claim 23, wherein said core further comprises an amount of a binder sufficient to maintain said core in the form of a tablet or pellet.

37. (New Claim) The controlled release additive composition

of claim 23, wherein said core further comprises a die release agent.

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38. (New Claim) A controlled release additive composition for use in an open circulating cooling water system, the composition comprising:

a core comprising an additive component effective in an aqueous coolant of an open circulating cooling water system; and

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a coating substantially surrounding the core and effective to slow the release of the additive component into an aqueous coolant in the open circulating cooling water system, the coating being insoluble in the aqueous coolant in the open circulating cooling water system, and including a polymer selected from the group consisting of homopolymers, and copolymers including units obtained from only two different monomers, provided that one of the two different monomers is selected from the group consisting of vinylversatate and ethylene.

39. (New Claim) The controlled release additive composition of claim 38, wherein the polymer is a copolymer including units obtained from only two different monomers.

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40. (New Claim) The controlled release additive composition of claim 39, wherein the copolymer includes units from vinylacetate.

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41. (New Claim) The controlled release additive composition of claim 39, wherein the copolymer includes units obtained from vinylversatate.

42. (New Claim) The controlled release additive composition of claim 39, wherein the copolymer includes about 45% to about 95% by weight of units obtained from one of the monomers and about 5%

to about 55% by weight of units obtained from the other monomer.

CM *SP* *SB* 43. (New Claim) The controlled release cooling additive composition of claim 39, the copolymer includes units obtained from an acrylate.

AT 44. (New Claim) The controlled release additive composition of claim 39, wherein the coating is about 3% to about 15% based on the total weight of the composition.

SP *SB* *AT* 45. (New Claim) The controlled release additive composition of claim 38, wherein said additive component includes a microbiocide effective in the open circulating cooling water system.

AT 46. (New Claim) A method of releasing an additive composition into an open circulating cooling water system comprising placing the controlled release additive composition of claim 23 in contact with an aqueous coolant present in an open circulating cooling water system.

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REMARKS

The above-identified application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Examiner's communication mailed March 27, 2002. Enclosed is a Request for Extension of Time, and required fee, extending the period for responding to the Examiner's communication to and including July 29, 2002.